

A COSTLY BLAZE.

Atlantic Tea Company Suffers
Heavily from the Fire Fiend.

FIRE WAS EARLY THIS MORNING

And Was One of the Most Stub-
born the Department Has Had.

OVER TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS

Will be Necessary to Cover the Loss Sustained by the Tea Company. Both Building and Stock Insured. The Fire Supposed to Have Started in a Coffee Roaster—The Intense Cold Impedes the Efforts of the Firemen, Who Did Nobly Under the Circumstances.

Wheeling has not had such a stubborn fire in years as that of this morning, which caused a loss of fully \$20,000 to the Atlantic Tea Company, Messrs. Henderson & McCann, proprietors, at their wholesale tea, coffee and sugar establishment at 2269 Market street, South Side. An alarm from box 42 was rung in at 11:20 last night, calling the entire department to the scene, and it was fully three hours later when Chief Healy felt sure that his men were masters of the situation. In that period the fire, that at the start had not seemed to be very dangerous, had destroyed the rear portion of the tea company's four-story building and practically destroyed their entire stock.

The fire was discovered at 11:10 o'clock by a young man who was returning to his home near by. At that hour the flames seemed of recent origin and were confined to the rear portion of the second story of the building. As soon as possible an alarm was turned in at the corner of Twenty-second and Main streets. The department arrived on the scene in good time, and Chief Healy soon had two streams at work in the alley to the rear of the building.

When the first water was turned on the fire was blazing furiously out of the side and rear windows, but the chief did not anticipate that a great deal of trouble would be experienced in subduing it. In fact, within a few minutes the flames had been apparently quenched, and the spectators supposed that the fire was under control. At this juncture there was trouble in getting water, and the fire got a fresh start, and to the dismay of everybody communicated itself to the third floor, adding to the difficulty of the department in contending with it. A ladder was placed at the side of the building, in the alley, and two firemen went inside with a line of hose, but were unable to do effective work, and were recalled by Chief Healy.

The flames were now coming out of several windows and the sky was lighted from the fire. Chief Healy next placed several firemen on the roof of the two story brick across the alley and first one, then two and finally four streams were worked from the position. They were in direct range with the windows from which the flames were furiously bursting, and every gallon of water that went into the burning building told.

Still the fire continued to gain on the department, being communicated to the third and fourth floors through the elevator shaft, located in the rear of the building. At 12:15 a. m. the department had six streams playing on the fire from the rear, and the fire was, if anything, getting a little the better of the firemen. Chief Healy was asked to place his extension ladders at the front of the building, break open the windows and fight the flames in their face, but this was not done because it was feared if the front windows were broken the draft of air would cause the fire to assume even worse proportions.

The intense cold was a great drawback to effectiveness on the part of the fire ladders, and the work they did was, under the circumstances, little short of remarkable. The water from the pipes froze almost in mid-air and not a fireman escaped being coated with ice from head to foot, looking like human Santa Clauses. Not a man shirked his duty, and the chief was always at the front, his men following readily in every move.

At 12:30 a. m. it was determined to fight the fire from another point. The long extension ladder was placed against the Blatchley three-story brick, adjoining the Atlantic building, and a line of hose was taken up there, where it was used effectively through the windows that opened on the fourth floor, where the fire at that time seemed to have its best hold. At that time seven streams were at work and the fire seemed to be about under control.

Mr. McCann, of the tea company, was seen at an early hour this morning, but he was not prepared to give more than a general idea of the extent of the loss. The stock was the largest of its kind in this section, and was worth fully \$20,000. The loss on the stock will amount to at least \$15,000. The building was gutted from the fourth floor to the cellar. The building itself was recently completely remodeled and refitted, and the loss on it alone will be between \$5,000 and \$10,000. Both the building and stock were covered by insurance, the larger part of it being in the Foose agency, from whom a statement was not obtainable this morning.

It was 1:30 before the fire department had the fire nearly under control, the entire department having been at work fully two hours. At no time did the fire cover a great area, but for stubbornness it has perhaps never been equaled in the history of Wheeling fires. The elevator shaft in the rear was the complicating factor, as the department was not able to cover the fire when it was at work on the three floors at one time.

The origin of the fire is not known definitely, but it is supposed to have started in the coffee roaster of the establishment on the second floor. At a late hour this morning it was learned that the insurance firm, Rice & Co., has \$10,500 of the insurance on the Atlantic Company's stock, and the Jefferson, of Wheeling, has \$1,000 on the building.

One of the results of the fire was the breaking of the incandescent lighting circuit, cutting out the lights on the Main street circuit.

The police patrol wagon was wrecked in going to the fire. On Market street, below Sixteenth, the wagon overturned, but none of the occupants were injured. The wreck was caused by the horses being hitched improperly.

Although, apparently, the firemen had the fire under control at 1:30, the flames got away from them again shortly before 2 o'clock and burst out of the windows near the front on the fourth floor, and for a time the entire attention of the department was turned on this end.

At 3 o'clock the fire is under control, so far as any possibility of its spreading to other buildings is concerned, but the building in which it started is as badly

damaged, almost, as though it had burned to the ground, and the same applies to the immense stock, almost a small reservoir of water having been poured in upon it.

The street car traffic was delayed on account of the fire, and the cars were sent down to the Forty-eighth street barns on the Market street line.

LOCAL BRIEVITIES.

Matters of Minor Moment in and About the City.

MATINEES at the Grand to-day.

THERE was no police court yesterday; no cases.

THE GRAND this evening—"Fabio Romani."

Pots will be set in the West Virginia glass works next Monday.

YESTERDAY a large dog entered the Etna-Standard mill, walked into the fly-wheel pit and was instantly killed.

Very little work was done at the Etna-Standard mill yesterday morning, many of the water pipes being frozen up.

The ferry boat Climax was obliged to stop running yesterday on account of ice, and is tied up at the Buckeye landing.

The last meeting of the present board of county commissioners will be held next Monday, and the first of the new board the Monday following.

The new school house at Edgington lane is about completed, and it is expected that it will be ready for occupancy after the holiday vacation.

LOUIS BRISACH, the convicted wife murderer, who was sentenced to life imprisonment in the penitentiary, was taken down to Moundsville yesterday to enter on his long imprisonment.

LIEUTENANT LUKINS went to Parkersburg yesterday afternoon to bring up Charles Exley, who is accused by James Quinn, manager of the Globe and Chicago Tea Company, of embezzlement. He will be brought back this forenoon.

In the circuit court yesterday the case of Holmes vs. the Wheeling Railway Company was dismissed, being settled out of court. The case of Winesburg's administrator vs. the same railway company argued and given to the jury.

SEVENTY-NINE tubs of oleomargarine seized by the United States revenue collector a week or so ago, are bulletined at the post office, and anybody who has a claim on them is invited to show cause why they are not subject to forfeiture.

LAST evening at the St. Andrews mission, in the Eighth ward, Rt. Rev. Bishop Peterkin preached to a good congregation. To-morrow forenoon he will preach in St. Matthew's church, and in the afternoon at Elm Grove and evening at St. Luke's.

EARLY yesterday morning an alarm of fire was rung in from box 23. It developed that somebody thought he saw a fire in a third-story room, when it was only a gas jet shining on the frosted window. The department was promptly on hand, but was not needed.

A gospel temperance meeting will be held at the Hearne Tabernacle next Sabbath at 3:15 p. m. Mrs. Charles Watkins will be the speaker of the hour. The music will be fine. Miss Zoe Hastings will sing a solo and Mrs. Nellie Holloway will preside at the organ. Old and young, rich and poor, men and women, girls and boys all are welcome.

The local board of control of the Epworth League held a meeting yesterday afternoon at the Fourth street M. E. church. Arrangements were made for a lecture and reading series. Arrangements were commenced for a convention to be held in May, before the state convention. Some other business of minor importance was transacted and the board adjourned.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

Strangers in the City and Wheeling Folks Abroad.

James McKinney, a well known New York traveling man, autographed at the McClure.

S. A. Myers and J. H. Lathrop, of Pittsburgh, traveling passenger agents, were here yesterday.

J. W. Wightman, of Pittsburgh, an insurance man, who is often here, registered at the McClure.

T. N. Barnsdale of Bradford, Pa., a prominent oil man, interested in the West Virginia field, was a guest at the McClure.

General Superintendent C. A. Wilson and F. B. Swain, prominent officials of the Wheeling & Lake Erie road, were in town yesterday, guests of the McClure.

G. H. Martin, of Chicago; C. E. Flint, of New York; A. J. Kline, of Harrisburg, Pa.; R. V. Colm, of Reading, Pa.; H. Bott, of Salem, Mass.; T. Penser, of New York, and A. A. Heald, of Rochester, N. Y., are a brigade of glass buyers who are here, guests at the McClure.

Y. M. C. A. Items.

The annual election for directors will occur on next Tuesday.

Bible study this evening at 7:30 and young men's meeting at 8 o'clock.

The New Year's reception to young men will not be one without its predecessors.

The next lecture will occur on the 10th of January. Dr. Crawford, president of Allegheny college, will deliver it.

Young men's meeting to-morrow afternoon will be conducted by J. W. Amick, of Freeport, Me., formerly an active member here.

The annual watch meeting will be held on New Year's Eve from 10 to 1 o'clock. There will be a change of topics and leaders each half hour.

There are Six Locked up.

Annie Kelley, Nora Green and Mag Kayes, the latter the white wife of a very colored man, were run in last night by Officers Daum and Creighton, on a charge of disorderly conduct in Alley 15. A girl named Evans and a girl named Githens were also arrested on request of relatives to prevent their going astray—or keeping astray. An electric belt peddler was detained in order to investigate his case.

BELLAANSKREETS. If we could only induce you to look at the St. Mary's Blankets at the reduced prices you would surely buy. Happened that way with others. Geo. M. Snook & Co.

If you want pure ale always insist on having Smith's.

THERE is good reason for the popularity of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Davis & Buzzard, of West Monterey, Clarion Co., Pa., says: "It has cured people that our physicians could do nothing for. We persuaded them to try a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and they now recommend it with the rest of us." 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by Chas. R. Goetz, W. W. Irwin, John Klari, Wm. E. Williams, C. Menkemeller, Wm. H. Hague, H. C. Stewart, A. E. Scheele, J. Coleman, C. Schnepf, Wm. Menkemeller, Wheeling, W. Va.; Bowles & Co., Bridgeport; B. F. Peabody & Son, Benwood.

Good ale is the best beverage just now. Try Smith's.

THE WINTER WEATHER.

The Severest Known in this Vicinity for Several Years.

THE MERCURY AWAY BELOW ZERO

And Eight Inches of Snow on the Ground—Sleighs Out in Force, in Spite of the Intense Cold—The Lowest Record of the Thermometer Ranges from 3 to 26 Below Zero.

The spell of what is popularly known as "old-fashioned winter" that set in on Thursday made itself very apparent yesterday. In the early hours of the morning the standard thermometer at Schnepf's drugstore registered three degrees below zero. Other thermometers differed very much. For instance, out in the country reports were heard of markings 8 and 10 degrees below, and at Altenheim the thermometer showed 18 below. This was supposed to be a fault of the thermometer, until last evening a note was received at the INTELLIGENCER office from Mr. Patton, of Fairpoint, O., on the C. & W. road, who says tersely:

"Twenty-six degrees below zero here this morning."

The unregistered thermometers differ greatly and are not to be relied on. The record of 3 below zero at Schnepf's, however, would indicate much colder weather out on the hills and in exposed positions. Ten below was not unreasonable, surely. The temperature remained low all day, in spite of bright sunshine. Last night it got lower and lower. At 9 o'clock it was 7 degrees above zero, and still falling. At midnight it was at zero, and there was every promise of as cold a morning as yesterday.

There were many sleighs and sleds out yesterday, in spite of the intense cold. The boys tried to coast on the steep streets again, but the snow was scarcely packed tight enough. Last night a party of young men got out a novel rig made of a pair of old-fashioned saw bucks on a bob-sled and a seat on top of them, and adding a frame above, from which Chinese lanterns were suspended. They made a decided sensation as they drove about town.

The sidewalks were not altogether cleaned of snow yesterday, in spite of the board of public work's warning for the papers. The Elm Grove railroad did a novel and good thing, loading the snow about its tracks at the city terminus on gondola cars and hauling it out into the country and dumping it off where it would do the least harm. This would be a good idea for the other railroads to adopt, including the street railway company.

The plumbers and coal merchants were in their element and the natural gas company was not losing much. Many frozen water pipes were reported, and the illuminating gas condensing in the pipes caused a good deal of trouble.

THE Y. M. C. A. RECEPTION.

Open House and Good Cheer there on New Year's.

The annual New Year's reception of the Young Men's Christian Association to the young men of Wheeling, on Tuesday, January 1, promises to be one of as great interest and pleasure as any that have preceded it. The building will be decorated for the occasion and will present a holiday appearance, and gymnastics, entertainment, refreshments and good cheer will combine to make the day a happy one. A cordial invitation is extended to all young men in the city to call. The reception will be held from 3 to 10 o'clock. From 4 to 8 refreshments will be served in the usual generous fashion. As in former years the ladies of the Woman's Union Benevolent Society will furnish and serve the refreshments. At 3 o'clock a game of hand ball will take place in the gymnasium. At 4 o'clock the following programme will be rendered in the hall:

Banjo Selection.....Ariel Club
Vocal Solo.....Mrs. Harry M. Fitzgerald
Recitation.....Jennie R. Johnston
Piano Solo.....Mrs. Charles O. Roemer
Vocal Duet.....Misses Alice and Nellie Kertzer
Vocal Solo.....Mr. W. M. Clemans
Banjo Solo.....Miss Jennie E. Johnston
Recitation.....Mrs. Harry M. Fitzgerald
Vocal Solo.....Ariel Club

At 8 o'clock an entertainment will again be given, when the following will be the programme:

Selection.....Mandolin and Guitar Quartette
New Year's Greeting (Ten Minutes)
Hon. G. W. Atkinson
Male Quartette.....Virginia Quartette
Vocal Solo.....Mr. James Morgan
Recitation.....Miss Zoe Hastings
Mandolin Solo.....Prof. F. C. Meyer
Recitation.....Miss Lizzie Carroll
Vocal Trio.....Misses Duncan, Leard and Hastings
Recitation.....Mr. James Morgan
Banjo Solo.....Miss Sarah Mendel
Recitation.....Miss Lizzie Carroll
Vocal Solo.....Dr. E. L. Warren

The celebrated specialist, Dr. Ottman, of Columbus, Ohio, will be at Bridgeport, Sherman House, Tuesday, January 1, Bellaire, Globe Hotel, Wednesday, January 2, from 9 a. m. to 6 p. m., one day only.

Mr. Walter Bell

Wonderful Good at Small Expense

Rheumatism Perfectly Cured.

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"Gentlemen:—I do not know how to express the gratitude I feel towards Hood's Sarsaparilla, which has cured me at very small cost."

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on my left side for four years; suffering with rheumatism with constant severe pains and being completely run down, but now all is changed and I enjoy good health. I experience sweet refreshing sleep, have a good appetite, and my memory is much improved. In fact I am as active as the child. I can now perform my daily work with ease. I had almost

Given Up All Hopes

of ever enjoying good health again, but by the persuasive power of a friend I was induced to take Hood's Sarsaparilla which has saved my

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life. I am now in perfect health, thanks to Hood's. WALTER BELL, Galveston, Texas. Attest: JOHN DEBURN, Galveston, Texas.

Hood's Pills act easily, yet promptly and effectively, on the liver and bowels. 25c.

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WANTED—LADIES TO KNOW they can rely on CHAS. NAGLE & CO. for first-class Tailoring and Dressmaking. 1413 Chapline street.

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STOCKHOLDERS' MEETINGS.

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The annual meeting of the stockholders of the National Bank of West Virginia at Wheeling, will be held at the Banking House on Tuesday, January 2, 1895, between the hours of one (1) and three (3) o'clock p. m. for the election of directors. JOHN WAGNER, Cashier.

WHEELING, W. VA., December 20, 1894. de21

GENERAL NOTICES.

ASSIGNEE'S NOTICE.

All persons indebted to Louis Delbrugge will take notice that the same must be arranged on or before January 10, 1895, or suit will be brought. J. D. ELSON, Assignee of Louis Delbrugge.

DECEMBER 27, 1894. de28

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

All persons having claims against the estate of the late Dr. R. H. Cummins will present them duly certified for payment. Those indebted to said estate will please settle same with me.

JAMES CUMMINS, Administrator of R. H. Cummins' Estate.

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FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—NINE-ROOMED dwelling, 2305 Chapline street. Both hot and cold water. Both gases. Inquire of C. P. SCHAMBER, 2105 Market street. de27

FOR RENT—THAT ELEGANT store room, No. 1404 Main street, now occupied by House & Herrmann. Has good elevator service and fire proof vault in office. Possession given April 1, 1895. Apply to HENRY K. LIST, at City Bank. no16

FOR RENT.

Nine rooms in the Roemer Block, nicely arranged for a first-class boarding house, with all the modern conveniences. Rent moderate for a good tenant. Also store room No. 2019, in same block, size 20 by 35, with counters and shelving, suitable for wholesale or retail, with good cellar and both gases. Rent moderate for a good tenant. For particulars call on John Roemer, at the Elm Grove motor office, or to Charles O. Roemer's insurance office, No. 2021 Main street, in same block. (de26) JOHN ROEMER.

FOR RENT.

—FROM APRIL 1.—One Second-Story Flat on Main Street. One Second-Story Flat on Tenth Street. Each flat contains six rooms, bath room and hall and both gases.

JAMES L. HAWLEY, 1420 Main Street.

FOR RENT.

Front rooms, or space, suitable for light manufacturing purposes, printing offices, plumbing, &c. Power supplied. Also ground for stables or other buildings. Apply

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FOR SALE—A NICE FARM of 83 acres, near Roney's Point. A good new house, good land, lays well. If not sold will rent to a good man. Address J. F. KNOX, Roney's Point, W. Va. de1

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STOCKS FOR SALE.

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10 shares Bellaire Nail Works.
20 shares Wheeling Steel & Iron Company.
2 shares Wheeling Railway Bonds.
10 shares Fostoria Glass Company.
10 shares Exchange Bank.
10 shares of National Bank of West Virginia.
10 shares Wheeling Ice and Storage Co.
10 shares Etna Standard Steel & Iron Co.
R. S. IRWIN, Broker, No. 24 Twelfth Street.

TRUSTEE'S SALE.

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By virtue of a deed of trust made by John W. Morris and Annie E. Morris, his wife, both of the city of Wheeling, in the county of Ohio, in the State of West Virginia, to me as trustee, dated February 20, 1893, and recorded in the office of the Clerk of the County court of Ohio county, West Virginia, in Book of Trust Book No. 22, page 677, I will sell at public auction at the north front door of the Court House of said county, on THURSDAY, THE 24TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1895, commencing at 10 o'clock a. m., the following described real estate, situated in said city, in said county and state aforesaid, that is to say: The north half of lot numbered five (5) in the tenth square of said city, situated on the west side of Chapline street, between Eleventh and Twelfth streets. There is erected on this property a fine brick residence, in as good a neighborhood as any in the city and all of the surroundings of the best character.

TERMS OF SALE—One third of the purchase money, and as much more as the purchaser shall elect to pay, cash in hand, one-half of the remaining purchase money, with interest from the day of sale, in one year thereafter, and the residue thereof, with interest, in two years from the day of sale, the purchaser giving his promissory notes for the deferred installments of the purchase money, secured by a deed of trust on the property. GEO. B. CALDWELL, Trustee.

W. H. HALLER, Auctioneer. de1

TRUSTEE'S SALE.

OF REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of a deed of trust made by Samuel M. Jewell and Annie E. Jewell, his wife, to me as trustee, dated March 1, 1894, and recorded in the office of the clerk of the county court of Ohio county, West Virginia, Book No. 30, folio 38, I will on

SATURDAY, JANUARY 5, 1895, at 10 o'clock a. m., sell at public auction, at the north front door of the Court House of said county, lot number thirty-seven (37) in Block number two (2) of "The Old Fair Grounds Property," so designated upon the plat of parcels, streets and alleys made by William Evans and George B. Caldwell, special commissioners, and recorded in Book No. 84, page 385 of Ohio county records. Being the same property conveyed to Samuel M. Jewell by William Evans and Kate M. Bagg, by deed bearing date on the first day of March, 1890. On the aforesaid lot is erected a two-story frame house, No. 60 N. Wabash street, Wheeling Island.

TERMS OF SALE—CASH.

PEEBLES TATUM, Trustee.

W. H. HALLER, Auctioneer. de19,21,29-Jai

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All of the above named
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